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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. CARTWRIGHT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Student Veteran Work  
5 Study Modernization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PILOT PROGRAM TO EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR A**  
2 **CERTAIN WORK-STUDY ALLOWANCE PAID BY**  
3 **THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO**  
4 **CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO PURSUE CER-**  
5 **TAIN PROGRAMS ON AT LEAST A HALF-TIME**  
6 **BASIS.**

7 (a) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Veterans Af-  
8 fairs shall carry out a pilot program under which the Sec-  
9 retary shall expand eligibility for the work-study allowance  
10 under section 3485 of title 38, United States Code, to in-  
11 dividuals who are pursuing programs of rehabilitation,  
12 education, or training specified in subsection (b) of such  
13 section at a rate equal to at least half of that required  
14 of a full-time student.

15 (b) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER WORK-STUDY INDI-  
16 VIDUALS.—In carrying out the pilot program under sub-  
17 section (a), the Secretary shall ensure the provisions of  
18 section 3485 of title 38, United States Code, apply with  
19 respect to the individuals specified in subsection (a) of this  
20 section in the same manner as to the individuals specified  
21 in subsection (b) of such section 3485, except with respect  
22 to the requirement of at least three-quarter-time student  
23 status.

24 (c) DURATION.—The Secretary shall carry out the  
25 pilot program under subsection (a) during the five-year

1 period beginning on the date of the commencement of the  
2 pilot program.

3 **SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING VETERANS WHO PAR-**  
4 **TICIPATE IN WORK-STUDY.**

5 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
6 ment of this Act and annually thereafter, the Secretary  
7 of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on  
8 Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representa-  
9 tives a report regarding veterans who participate in work-  
10 study. Such report shall include the following elements:

11 (1) The number of such veterans.

12 (2) The percentage of such veterans who obtain  
13 a four-year degree.

14 (3) The number of such veterans who obtain  
15 full-time work at the Department of Veterans Af-  
16 fairs.

17 **SEC. 4. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

18 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of  
19 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,  
20 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement  
21 titled "Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation" for this  
22 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record  
23 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-  
24 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the  
25 vote on passage.